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For: METHOD FOR SELECTING ESCHERICHIA COLI STRAIN WHICH HIGHLY EXPRESSES EXOGENOUS GENES, ESCHERICHIA COLI MUTANT STRAINS SELECTED BY THIS METHOD AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING ENZYMES AND COMPOUNDS USING THE SAME

**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR
PATENT APPLICATION CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE AND/OR
AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES**

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Sir:

This paper is in response to the NOTIFICATION TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES, dated March 9, 2006, issued in the above-referenced patent application.

The Notification to Comply indicates that the present application fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825, and specifically that Applicants must provide: (1) a computer readable form of the Sequence Listing, and (2) a statement that the content of the sequence listing recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written, paper version of the sequence listing.

Response To Notification To Comply With Requirements
For Patent Application Containing Nucleotide And/Or
Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures
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Accordingly, Applicants include herewith a paper copy of a Substitute Sequence Listing and a copy of the same in computer readable form, along with a Statement to Support Filing and Submission in Accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825. A copy of the Notification to Comply is also submitted herewith.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the substitute Sequence Listing into the pending application.

Applicants assert that this Response to the Notification to Comply and the enclosures are being timely filed, and that the enclosures bring the present application in full compliance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825.

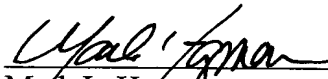
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**NOTIFICATION TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS
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Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE** within which to file the items indicated below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37. CFR 1.136(a).

- This application does not contain a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper or compact disc) sequence listing and, where applicable, includes no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b), or 1.825(d). Applicant must provide such statement. If the effective filing date is on or after September 8, 2000, see the final rulemaking notice published in the Federal Register at 65 FR 54604 (September 8, 2000) and 1238 OG 145 (September 19, 2000).
- A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e). If the effective filing date is on or after September 8, 2000, see the final rulemaking notice published in the Federal Register at 65 FR 54604 (September 8, 2000) and 1238 OG 145 (September 19, 2000). Applicant must provide an initial computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing" and a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper or compact disc) sequence listing and, where applicable, includes no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b), or 1.825(d). If applicant desires the sequence listing in the instant application to be identical with that of another application on file in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, such request in accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(e) may be submitted in lieu of a new CRF.

Applicant is cautioned that correction of the above items may cause the specification and drawings page count to exceed 100 pages. If the specification and drawings exceed 100 pages, applicant will need to submit the required application size fee.

For questions regarding compliance to 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 requirements, please contact:

- For Rules Interpretation, call (571) 272-0951
- For Patent Software Program Help, call Patent EBC at 1-866-217-9197 or directly at 703-305-3028 / 703-308-6845 between the hours of 6 a.m. and 12 midnight, Monday through Friday, EST.
- Send e-mail correspondence for Patent Software Program Help @ ebc@uspto.gov

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed

to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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